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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 194
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Margaret Gaston Chapter, Lebanon, Tennessee on the occasion of their 100th Anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those noteworthy individuals and organizations whose accomplishments bring pride and honor to the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, for 100 years now, the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Margaret Gaston Chapter, Lebanon, Tennessee has perpetuated the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence; and

WHEREAS, the object of this society is the acquisition and protection of historical spots and erection of monuments; the encouragement of historical research in relation to the revolution and the publication of its results; the preservation of documents and relics, and of records of the individual services of revolutionary soldiers and patriots; the promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries; to carry out the injunction of Washington in his farewell address to the American people, "to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge," thus developing an enlightened public opinion, and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens; to cherish, maintain, and extend the

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institutions of American freedom; to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty; and

WHEREAS, The Daughters come in all ages and many have interesting careers. Each daughter has traced and submitted documentary proof of being a direct descendant of a soldier or patriot who helped win independence during the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Margaret Gaston Chapter, Lebanon, Tennessee was organized by Mrs. Susan Shelton White Tarver in Lebanon, Tennessee on January 30, 1897 and was chartered on October 30, 1897; and

WHEREAS, the first chartered members were: Mrs. Susan Shelton White Tarver, Mrs. Madeline Allison Humphreys, Mrs. Lucy Smith MacKenzie, Mrs. Laura High Burford, Mrs. Claude Hancock Brown, Mrs. Fannie Ashworth Enloe, Mrs. Nellie White Hamilton, Mrs. Anne Stark Foster, Mrs. Belle Braden Foster, Mrs. Lelia Owen Stratton, Mrs. Lucy Goode Whit Lewis, Mrs. Lena Pennebaker Golladay, Mrs. Martha Dillon Lester, and Mrs. Martha Goode Shelton Riddle; and

WHEREAS, the DAR's accomplishments are expected to reflect the amount of money and items given the DAR schools for the underprivileged and Native American students, community centers and orphanages for all children, regardless of race or creed, on the high school seniors to be recognized as DAR Good Citizens for their qualities of leadership and community service; and on Constitution Week, September 17-23, which the DAR initiated; and

WHEREAS, the DAR National Motto is: "God, Home, and Country"; and

WHEREAS, the DAR National Theme is: "Our Heritage is the Key to Our Future; by Preserving History, Providing Education, and Promoting Patriotism"; and

WHEREAS, the State Theme is: Our Tennessee Heritage: "By love serve one another." (Galatians 5:13); and

WHEREAS, this legislative body commends the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Margaret Gaston Chapter, Lebanon, Tennessee on having survived and prospered for one hundred years as a strong and vigorous organization; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Margaret Gaston Chapter, Lebanon, Tennessee on the occasion of their 100th Anniversary and commend them for their outstanding service and commitment to the citizens of the community of Lebanon and the State of Tennessee, wishing them continued success in their most worthwhile efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.